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5 January 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Theodore C. Sorensen

FROM: John F. Blake

Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT : Reimbursement for Shipment of

Household Effects

1. I have initiated inquiries to see whether it is permissible for us to reimburse you, as a Presidential Appointee, for the cost of moving your household effects to Washington. The inquiries have developed the following information at this time.

- 2. The Chief Personnel Officer at the White House has informed us that no such expenses for any Presidential Appointee regardless of the level of rank have ever been reimbursed. There have been, however, previous requests for such reimbursement. An additional contact was made with an appropriate officer at the Civil Service Commission. That individual stated that the matter had not previously come to their attention but they would undertake research on the matter and be in subsequent contact with us.
- 3. In both cases the contact was made by officers working for me who had previous acquaintance with the individual with whom they were speaking. The matter was raised on a quiet and informal basis and both individuals who were contacted were asked to treat the matter on a private basis.

John F. Blake

Orig - Mr. Sorensen

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